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--&gt;Dear Ms. Dixon:

- 1 I am writing to express my very strong opposition to the proposal to send nuclear waste through my county, San Bernardino, either on the highways or by rail as reported in an article in the San Bernardino County Sun on Jan. 4.

I am firmly convinced that this is a recipe for disaster for a number of reasons:

1. The potential for both highway and rail accidents is quite high. On a daily basis, we have numerous car/truck accidents. Also, we have had numerous serious, and even fatal, rail accidents in this area. I am particularly sensitive to this as both a major highway (I-215) and two mainline rail lines run less than 1/2 mile from my home.

- 2 2. The article said that the containment casks will deteriorate after 100 years, but the material will still be radioactive for 10,000 years -- this is not good planning.

3. The article said that the containment casks have never been tested at full size, only scale models with computer projections -- this affords no safety guarantee.

- 3 [ 4. The article quotes a spokesman for the San Onofre nuclear plant as saying "If we can't bury nuclear waste there, we can't bury it anywhere." Duh! -- I truly believe the last part of his statement is the most true -- you cannot safely bury this waste anywhere, and to transport it only begs trouble.
- 4 [ 5. There is absolutely no guarantee that the proposed area will still be geologically stable over 10,000 years. I refuse to believe any so-called science that makes that claim. Therefore, the government is playing roulette with people's futures, whether in the immediate (through transport accidents -- or terrorism), the "near" future (100 years when the casks degrade) or long-term (over 10,000 years of geologic uncertainty). It is not right that we put this problem on the shoulders of our descendants.

The government needs to come up with a better, safer and more believable solution.

Thank you for listening.

Sincerely,

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